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OPTICAL CONNECTOR USING THIS OPTICAL FERRULE

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April 8, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

The following Amendment and Response is responsive to the Office Action dated May 17, 2002 for the above-identified patent application. A petition for revival of the above-referenced application that was unintentionally abandoned is enclosed with this Amendment and Response, together with a request for the extension of time to respond to the Office Action. The applicant respectfully requests that all pending claims in the abandoned Patent Application No. 09/720,235 be revived and offers the

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